

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 2, line 21 as follows:

- As an inner constitution of the 3 port coupler, ~~there is known a type of inserting it~~
 5 is known to insert a band pass filter between a two-core collimator comprising two pieces
 of optical fibers and collimator lenses and a single core collimator comprising one piece
 of an optical fiber and a collimator lens, a type of inserting a band pass filter to a dividing
 portion of an optical wave guide divided in a Y-like shape or the like. There may be used
 an optical coupler having 2 kinds of edge filters (there is long wavelength transmitting
 10 type or a short wavelength transmitting type) having edge portions (wavelength edges) of
 transmitting wavelength bands at middles of three wavelength bands in place of a band
 pass filter.

Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 5, line 2 as follows:

- 15 The invention has been carried out in order to resolve the above-described
 problem and it is an object thereof to provide a wavelength division multiplexing optical
 coupler having high isolation, which is small-sized and inexpensive and capable of being
 used for separating a number of wavelengths of 3 or more wavelengths.

- 20 Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 7, at line 1 as follows:

It is preferable that the optional filter of the first optical filter group arranged to a
 side mostly proximate to the lens is brought into close contact with an end ~~faet~~ face of the
 lens.

- 25 Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 8, line 19 as follows:

An output optical fiber an end face of which is arranged at a position at which the
 fluxes of focused ~~of~~ light are coupled.

Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 11, line 5 as follows:

By the above-described constitution, a wavelength division multiplexing optical coupler, which is small-sized and has ~~having~~ a high isolation characteristic applicable to light multiplexed with three wavelengths, can be provided at low cost.

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